



March 5, 2007

H.R. 1047 – To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to determine the suitability and feasibility of designating the Soldiers' Memorial Military Museum located in St. Louis, Missouri, as a unit of the National Park System.

Floor Situation

H.R. 1047 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Representative William Lacy Clay (D-MO) on February 14, 2007, and has not been considered by any committee in the 110th Congress.

H.R. 1047 is expected to be considered on the floor on March 5, 2007.

**Note: During the 109th Congress, Rep. Clay introduced identical legislation, H.R. 452, which passed the House of Representatives by voice vote on December 13, 2005. The Senate received the bill but took no action.*

Summary

H.R. 1047 directs the Secretary of the Interior to carry out a study to determine the suitability and feasibility of designating the Soldiers' Memorial Military Museum, located at 1315 Chestnut, St. Louis, Missouri, as a unit of the National Park System.

Background

The Soldiers' Memorial is a tribute to all veterans located in the greater St. Louis area. In 1923, the City of St. Louis voted to spend \$6,000,000 to purchase a memorial plaza and building dedicated to citizens of St. Louis who lost their lives in World War I.

On October 14, 1936, President Franklin D. Roosevelt officially dedicated the site. On Memorial Day in 1938, St. Louis Mayor Dickmann opened the building to the public.

Cost

H.R. 1047 has not been scored by the Congressional Budget Office.

**Note: Similar legislation introduced in the 109th Congress, H.R. 452, received a cost estimate of about \$200,000 over 3 years.*

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